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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN CANDIDACY OF JOSE SETTE CAMARA FOR THE
INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

REFS A. BRASILIA 1820 B. STATE 67709

1. DURING COURTESY CALL JUNE 30 ON AMBASSADOR LUIZ PAULO LINDENBERG
SETTE, CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEPARRTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL

ORGANIZATIONS, LATTER MADE STRONG PITCH FOR USG SUPPORT OF SETTE
CAMARA'S CANDIDACY. LINDENBERG SETTE SAID THAT GOB WAS WELL AWARE
OF USG POLICY OF NOT COMMITTING ITSELF TO CANDIDATES FOR INTERNATIONAL

BODIES THIS FAR BEFORE ELECCTIONS, BUT THAT GOB CONSIDERS
SETTE CAMARA, WHO HAS LONG BEEN WELL KNOWN TO US AUTHORITIES, TO
BE AN EMINENTLY SUTIALE CANDIDATE WHOSE EQUANIMITY AND SENSE OF
BALANCE AND FAIR PLAY WOULD ALLOW HIM TO MAKE A VERY POSITIVE CONTRI-
BUTION TO THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES.
LINDENBERG SETTE SAID THAT GOB WAS NOT ASKING FOR A COMMITMENT
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AT THIS STATE, BUT THAT IT WANTED USG TO KNOW THAT IT ATTACHES
GREAT IMPORTANCE TO SETTE CAMARA'S ELECTION TO THE ICJ, THAT IT
CONSIDERS THE MATTER TO BE QUITE SERIOUS, AND THAT IT WOULD THUS
GREATLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES IN ITS CAPACITY
AS BOTH A MAJOR WORLD POWER AND A PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE UN
SECURITY COUNCIL.

2. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.
THE GOB APPEARS TO HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE IT A TEST CASE AND WILL
MOST PROBABLY RESPOND TO FUTURE REPRESENTATIONS BY US FOR CANDIDATES
IN WHOM WE HAVE SERIOUS INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR RESPONSE
TO THIS UNUSUALLY STRONG PRESENTATION.
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